No complaint has so far been received from any aonor in regard to the Government's instructions to route the funds/donations through the Kosh.

Fishing Harbour Projects of Karnataka

*75. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the projects for construction of Karwar Fishing Harbour and Malpe Fishing Harbour of Karnataka Government, at an estimated cost of Rs. 229 lakhs and Rs. 481.65 lakhs respectively, are pending with Central Government for approval; and

(b) if so, the details of the projects and the time by which these are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a,) and (b) No, Sir.The status of both the Fishing Harbours is as below:

(i) Karwar Fishing Harbour: The proposal of Government of Karnataka for construction of fishing harbour Stage-ll at Karwar was approved in March, 1998 at a total cost of Rs..130.00 lakhs. The Central share of Rs. 64.89 lakhs has been released in two instalments to the State with stipulation that the project should be completed by March, 2000. Subsequently, in June 2003, the Government of Karnataka approached the Union Government for consideration of a Revised Cost Estimate with a cost escalation from Rs. 130.00 lakhs to Rs. 229.00 lakhs.

(ii) Malpe Fishing Harbour: The proposal of Government of Karnataka for construction of fishing harbour (Stage-I) at Malpe was initially approved in May, 1975 at a cost of Rs. 217.00 lakhs, which was further revised in April 1976, upwardly to Rs. 426.00 lakhs.The Stage-I fishing harbour was commissioned during 1986 and put to use since then.

In order to cater to the increased demands for harbour facilities, the proposal for Stage-ll expansion of Malpe Fishing Harbour was approved in February, 1996 at a total cost of Rs.1196.70 lakh. The entire Central share of Rs. 598.35 lakhs for Stage-ll expansion was released in four

instalments to the State. The time period of four years as initially stipulated for completion of the project, was extended for a further period of two years at the request of the State Government. Subsequently, in April 2003, the Government of Karnataka approached the Union Government for consideration of Revised Cost Estimate with a cost escalation from Rs.1196.70 lakhs to Rs. 2160.00 lakhs.

The Union Government could not accede to the request of the State Government for consideration of the cost escalation in respect of both the projects since any cost escalation was to be borne by the State Government as per the terms of the sanctioning of the project.

Use of Naphtha fuel and gas as fuel

†*76. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Naphtha, fuel oil and gas is used as fuel for production of urea fertilizer in the country;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that the cost of production has been found to be varying based on the fuel used in production;

(c) if so, the cost of production of urea produced during the production year 2002-03 calculated on the basis of use of Naphtha, fuel oil and gas separately; and

(d) the percentage of each of the said fuel being used at present in the country by fertilizer industry?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA): (a) to (d) Natural gas, Naphtha, fuel oil (FO)/low sulphur heavy stock (LSHS) are used as feed stock in the production of urea. Cost of production of urea varies based on the feedstock used. The weighted average cost of production for urea units

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.